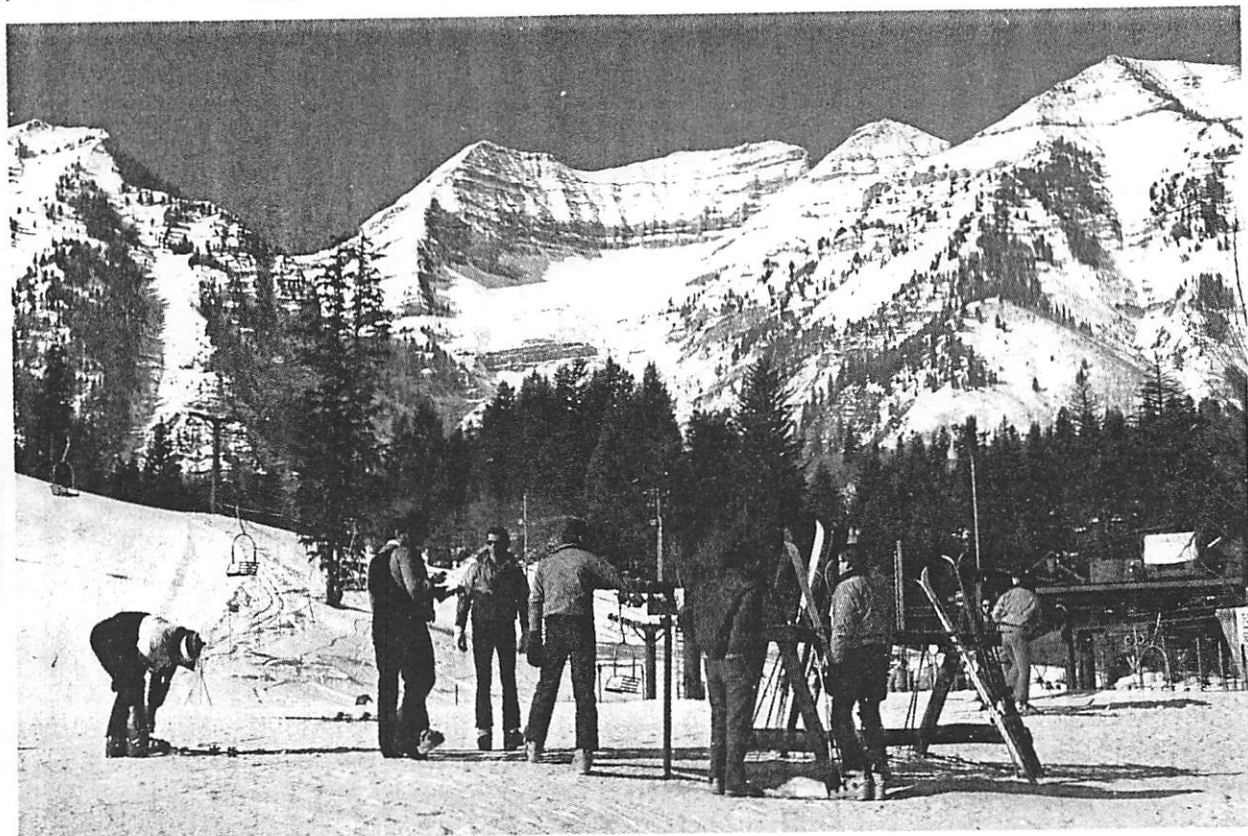


mountain to sell at Emerald Lake during the annual hike in the 1930's.

In the summer of 1938, the North Fork Investment Company permitted a saw mill to be set up at Stewart Flat, which was very near where the ski resort is now located(it was at the Meadow, about 200 meters to the northwest of Redford's present film editing building). The operator was allowed to work only one season and cut those trees which John R. Stewart had marked. Many of the trees cut were on the present-day ski slopes to the south.

Rather late in the history of North Fork, Raymond R. Stewart, began a small ski resort named **Timp Haven**. According to Stewart's account, a group called the Timp Mountain Club, had persuaded a Mr. I. E. Daniels to open a ski area in Hobble Creek Canyon east of Springville in the early 1940's. Daniels had put together a truck body with a series of pulleys which served as power for a rope tow. The experiment in Hobble Creek failed, but later Stewart bought the equipment and took it to the area of the MIA Lodge(now called the Timp Lodge) part way up the slope from the present-day lower terminal of the Sundance ski lifts. A small area was cleared and an attempt was made to operate the ski tow in the winter of 1944-45, but it was a failure.

During the next summer, the equipment was overhauled and rebuilt and in the winter of 1945-46 they tried it again. They occasional had trouble getting up the snowy road above Wildwood and even more difficulties getting from the end of the plowed road to the rope tow site. Getting gasoline to the tow was a chore and since they only operated the equipment on weekends, they had to lug the batteries up and down each week to keep them charged. Junior Bounous and Frank Hirst were prominent men who helped with the project.



Sundance Ski Resort with Cascade Cirque and surrounding peaks in the background.